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## Dear Parents

Welcome back! We hope you have had an enjoyable Christmas break and are fully refreshed for the start of another term. It is undoubtedly going to be a busy term as we start to prepare the children for their SATs. We are all eager to begin the teaching and learning to support the children in the best possible way and, as you can see from our enquiry web, we have plenty of exciting activities ahead of us!

As we are drawing ever closer to SATs, there will be a meeting this term to allow you the opportunity to learn more about the tests your child will be sitting in May. We are still finalising the details for this but will let you know as soon as we can when this meeting will be taking place. Please do not rush out and buy any preparation books, as during this meeting we will have recommended books available for you to buy at a reduced rate.

We are continuing to fundraise for out London trip to see School of Rock and visit the Natural History Museum in April. Your constant support is greatly appreciated as we still have a long way to go to meet our target (the coach alone is costing over £1000).

Please keep a look out for our Auction of donated items and promises from the staff, governors and children in February.

Just a few reminders:

Please ensure that your child always brings a water bottle to school and a healthy snack for break time. Children are expected to have a coat (yes even in year 6) even if they say they are 'hot'. We do not want the children feeling ill, especially with so much to cover.

Please also ensure that children remember to keep their correct PE kit (plain coloured house T-shirt, dark shorts or tracksuit bottoms, jumper or sweatshirt, socks, trainers or daps) in school for the whole week as there may be additional activities or changes in session times. Children wishing to be excused from PE will need a note from home.

Homework will continue to be set weekly (on a Friday), thank you for your support with this change so far. We hope it has been useful to both you and your child. We have high expectations of children with regards to homework and we ask that every child completes their homework to the best of their ability. We encourage parent support with these tasks if they feel very challenged.

Any class messages will be sent to the website.

Here's to an exciting new term!

Many thanks for your all your support, Miss Wilson, Mrs Ledwitch and Miss Gerrard